



City of Seattle

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Seattle Women's Commission

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Senator Adam Kline
Chair, Judiciary Committee
431 John A. Cherberg Building
P.O. Box 40437
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Senator Kline:

We are writing to urge your support of SB 6421 that waives fees and costs for individuals filing for protection from stalkers and other potentially violent persons.

We are concerned for the safety and well-being of women who may be threatened by potentially violent individuals but who either can't afford to file protection orders, or don't understand how to navigate the system and red tape. With these women in mind, we ask that you expedite a hearing on this proposed legislation.

This bill will provide important assurances for the safety of women in Washington and again, we urge your support. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Runette Mitchell, Chair
The Seattle Women's Commission